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Chapter ____
Organizational and other matters

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Sustainable Development held its twelfth session on 9 May 2003 and from 14 to 30 April 2004. The Commission held ___ meetings, as well as informal meetings and a number of associated activities.

2. From 14 to 16 April 2004, the Commission worked as a three-day open-ended preparatory meeting for the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States.

3. At the 4th meeting, on 19 April 2004, the Chair made a statement.

4. At the same meeting, His Royal Highness Prince Willem, Prince of the Netherlands, addressed the Commission.

5. At the same meeting, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), and the Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), made introductory statements.

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B. Election of officers

6. At its 1st meeting, on 9 May 2003, the Commission elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Chair:
Borge **Brende** (Norway)

Vice-Chair:
Bruno Stagno **Ugarte** (Costa Rica)

7. At its 2nd meeting, on 14 April 2004, the Commission elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Vice-Chairs:
Toru **Shimizu** (Japan)
Bolus Paul **Zom Lolo** (Nigeria)
Eva **Tomič** (Slovenia)

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C. Agenda and organization of work

8. Also at its 2nd meeting, on 14 April, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda, contained in document E/CN.17/2004/1, and approved its organization of work. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Thematic cluster for the implementation cycle 2004-2005:
   (a) Water;
   (b) Sanitation;
   (c) Human settlements.
4. Preparations for the International Meeting To Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States.
5. Other matters.
6. Provisional agenda for the thirteenth session of the Commission.
7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twelfth session.

9. At the 4th meeting, on 19 April, the Commission heard presentations by the following on the outcomes of intersessional events: Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco) on the International Expert Meeting on the 10-Year Framework of Programmes for Sustainable Consumption and Production, held in Marrakesh, Morocco, in June 2003; Mr. Rashid Alimov (Tajikistan) on the Dushanbe International Fresh Water Forum; Ms. Damla Say, Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations, on the Workshop on Governance for the Implementation of Outcomes from the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Countries with

Economies in Transition, held in Istanbul in September 2003; Mr. Bjørn Skogmo, Assistant Secretary-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway, on "Water for the Poorest", an international conference in Stavanger, Norway, in November 2003; Mr. Alberto Gagliardi, Under-Secretary for Regional Affairs of Italy, on the International Forum on Partnerships for Sustainable Development, held in Rome in March 2004; Mr. Zhang Yishan (China) on implementing the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development at the municipal level, Sustainable Development Leadership Forum, held in Hong Kong, China, in February 2004; and Mr. Arcado Ntagazwa, Minister of the Environment of the United Republic of Tanzania, on the eighth special session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum of UNEP, held in Jeju, Republic of Korea, in March 2004.

10. At the same meeting, the following delegations also made opening statements: Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Ireland (on behalf of the European Community, 15 Member States and the 10 acceding countries); Australia; the Russian Federation; Indonesia; the Lao People's Democratic Republic (on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries); South Africa; Japan; and the Republic of Korea.

11. At the same meeting statements were also made by the representatives of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development and the International Federation of Agricultural Producers.

12. At the same meeting statements were also made on the overall review of the implementation of agenda 21 by the delegations of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Ireland (on behalf of the European Community, 15 Member States and the 10 acceding countries).

D. Attendance

13. The session was attended by representatives of ___ States members of the Commission on Sustainable Development. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and for the European Community, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and secretariats of treaty bodies as well as observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations also attended. A list of participants will be issued in document E/CN.17/2004/INF/1.

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